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Table 1: Economy

		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
ESTIMATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT - June quarter						
Unemployed persons	no.	68	62	60	53	54
Unemployment rate	%	3.2	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.4
TAXATION STATISTICS - year ended 30 June						
Non-taxable individuals	no.	-	-	414	435	-
Taxable income (non-taxable individuals)	$m	-	-	2.2	2.9	-
Average taxable income (non-taxable individuals)	$	-	-	5 227	6 706	-
Taxable individuals	no.	-	-	1 594	1 548	-
Taxable income (taxable individuals)	$m	-	-	66.9	72.9	-
Average taxable income (taxable individuals)	$	-	-	41 951	47 099	-
Net tax	$m	-	-	14.9	15.9	-
Average net tax	$	-	-	9 327	10 243	-
Net tax as a proportion of taxable income	%	-	-	22	22	-
Taxable and non-taxable individuals	no.	-	-	2 008	1 983	-
Taxable income (taxable and non-taxable individuals)	$m	-	-	69.0	75.8	-
Average taxable income (taxable and non-taxable individuals)	$	-	-	34 379	38 238	-
SELECTED GOVERNMENT PENSIONS & ALLOWANCES - at 30 June						
Age Pension - Centrelink	no.	282	288	284	285	293
Age Pension - DVA	no.	0	0	0	0	0
Carers Payment	no.	np	np	np	np	np
Disability Support Pension	no.	86	90	79	86	86
Newstart Allowance	no.	47	59	58	61	66
Parenting Payment - Single	no.	75	61	71	65	62
Youth Allowances	no.	25	27	28	np	25
Newstart Allowance - more than 365 days	%	np	52.5	62.1	54.1	53.0
ESTIMATES OF PERSONAL INCOME - year ended 30 June						
Wage and salary earners	no.	1 458	1 471	1 448	1 435	-
Wage and salary income	$m	46.1	49.0	50.0	53.1	-
Average Wage and salary income	$	31 625	33 291	34 508	36 992	-
Own unincorporated business earners	no.	584	574	554	544	-
Own unincorporated business income	$m	16.6	13.8	3.6	13.9	-
Average Own unincorporated business income	$	28 498	24 052	6 551	25 556	-
Investment earners	no.	1 160	1 163	1 141	1 144	-
Investment income	$m	9.8	9.6	10.9	10.7	-
Average Investment Income	$	8 441	8 220	9 510	9 377	-
Superannuation and annuity earners	no.	27	26	27	29	-
Superannuation and annuity income	$m	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	-
Average Superannuation and annuity income	$	11 846	12 695	13 666	13 779	-
Other income earners (excl. Government pensions & allowances)	no.	192	168	171	168	-
Other income (excl. Government pensions & allowances)	$m	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	-
Average other income (excl. Government pensions & allowances)	$	985	799	1 025	1 102	-
Total income (excl. Government pensions & allowances)	$m	73.1	72.8	65.0	78.3	-
WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY AGE AND SEX - year ended 30 June						
Males - 15 years to 24 years	no.	186	184	176	159	-
Males - 25 years to 34 years	no.	177	174	168	158	-
Males - 35 years to 44 years	no.	189	176	168	159	-
Males - 45 years to 54 years	no.	140	146	158	162	-
Males - 55 years to 64 years	no.	92	98	100	106	-
Males - 65 years and over	no.	18	20	18	23	-
Males - Total	no.	802	798	788	767	-
Females - 15 years to 24 years	no.	122	132	130	127	-
Females - 25 years to 34 years	no.	154	150	144	150	-
Females - 35 years to 44 years	no.	172	165	159	156	-
Females - 45 years to 54 years	no.	134	147	156	156	-
Females - 55 years to 64 years	no.	65	70	63	69	-
Females - 65 years and over	no.	9	9	8	10	-
Females - Total	no.	656	673	660	668	-
Persons - 15 years to 24 years	no.	308	316	306	286	-
Persons - 25 years to 34 years	no.	331	324	312	308	-
Persons - 35 years to 44 years	no.	361	341	327	315	-
Persons - 45 years to 54 years	no.	274	293	314	318	-
Persons 55 years to 64 years	no.	157	168	163	175	-
Persons - 65 years and over	no.	27	29	26	33	-
Persons - Total	no.	1 458	1 471	1 448	1 435	-
WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY OCCUPATION - year ended 30 June						
Managers and Administrators	no.	93	84	91	81	-
Professionals	no.	171	161	180	169	-
Associate Professionals	no.	81	79	75	87	-
Tradespersons and Related Workers	no.	196	190	192	184	-
Advanced Clerical and Service Workers	no.	25	30	26	24	-
Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers	no.	204	216	212	226	-
Intermediate Production and Transport Workers	no.	136	130	155	152	-
Elementary Clerical, Sales and Service Workers	no.	150	158	146	148	-
Labourers and Related Workers	no.	280	298	274	259	-
Not Stated	no.	123	108	99	107	-
Total wage and salary earners	no.	1 459	1 472	1 459	1 437	-
ESTIMATES OF HOUSEHOLD WEALTH - year ended 30 June						
Net worth per household	$'000	494.0	-	-	-	-
Aggregate household net worth	$m	674.8	-	-	-	-
Equivalised net worth	$'000	330.9	-	-	-	-
Assets per household	$'000	543.0	-	-	-	-
Liabilities per household	$'000	49.0	-	-	-	-
Debt to asset ratio	%	9.0	-	-	-	-
COUNTS OF BUSINESSES, INCLUDING ENTRIES AND EXITS						
Number of Businesses - at 30 June						
Non-employing businesses	no.	210	201	204	201	-
Employing businesses: 1 to 4 employees	no.	105	105	99	93	-
Employing businesses: 5 or more employees	no.	87	84	72	72	-
Total businesses	no.	402	390	375	366	-
Business Entries - year ended 30 June						
Non-employing business entries	no.	27	18	45	21	-
Employing business entries	no.	21	3	24	18	-
Total business entries	no.	48	21	69	39	-
Business Exits - year ended 30 June						
Non-employing business exits	no.	33	45	15	18	-
Employing business exits	no.	0	3	30	21	-
Total business exits	no.	33	48	45	39	-
Number of Businesses by Industry - at 30 June						
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	no.	159	165	156	150	-
Mining	no.	9	9	3	3	-
Manufacturing	no.	18	12	9	9	-
Electricity, gas and water supply	no.	0	0	0	0	-
Construction	no.	30	36	42	39	-
Wholesale trade	no.	24	24	27	21	-
Retail trade	no.	39	33	33	33	-
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	no.	12	15	12	15	-
Transport and storage	no.	15	9	15	15	-
Communication services	no.	6	6	6	3	-
Finance and insurance	no.	3	0	6	3	-
Property and business services	no.	60	51	42	54	-
Education	no.	0	0	0	0	-
Health and community services	no.	12	12	9	9	-
Cultural and recreational services	no.	3	3	3	3	-
Personal and other services	no.	12	15	12	9	-
Total businesses	no.	402	390	375	366	-

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Table 2: Population and People

		2004	2005
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX - at 30 June			
Males - 0 to 4 years	no.	153	149
Males - 5 years to 9 years	no.	120	115
Males - 10 years to 14 years	no.	135	129
Males - 15 years to 19 years	no.	144	143
Males - 20 years to 24 years	no.	123	112
Males - 25 years to 29 years	no.	120	121
Males - 30 years to 34 years	no.	125	120
Males - 35 years to 39 years	no.	148	142
Males - 40 years to 44 years	no.	136	145
Males - 45 years to 49 years	no.	130	131
Males - 50 years to 54 years	no.	126	126
Males - 55 years to 59 years	no.	108	112
Males - 60 years to 64 years	no.	80	80
Males - 65 years to 69 years	no.	57	54
Males - 70 years to 74 years	no.	45	54
Males - 75 years to 79 years	no.	39	36
Males - 80 years to 84 years	no.	24	27
Males - 85 years and over	no.	5	9
Males - Total	no.	1 818	1 805
Females - 0 to 4 years	no.	114	118
Females - 5 years to 9 years	no.	144	126
Females - 10 years to 14 years	no.	120	126
Females - 15 years to 19 years	no.	127	116
Females - 20 years to 24 years	no.	109	106
Females - 25 years to 29 years	no.	100	102
Females - 30 years to 34 years	no.	130	127
Females - 35 years to 39 years	no.	115	103
Females - 40 years to 44 years	no.	134	131
Females - 45 years to 49 years	no.	113	122
Females - 50 years to 54 years	no.	93	96
Females - 55 years to 59 years	no.	82	77
Females - 60 years to 64 years	no.	67	71
Females - 65 years to 69 years	no.	72	70
Females - 70 years to 74 years	no.	48	43
Females - 75 years to 79 years	no.	36	42
Females - 80 years to 84 years	no.	31	27
Females - 85 years and over	no.	26	30
Females - Total	no.	1 661	1 633
Persons - 0 to 4 years	no.	267	267
Persons - 5 years to 9 years	no.	264	241
Persons - 10 years to 14 years	no.	255	255

Persons - 15 years to 19 years	no.	271	259
Persons - 20 years to 24 years	no.	232	218
Persons - 25 years to 29 years	no.	220	223
Persons - 30 years to 34 years	no.	255	247
Persons - 35 years to 39 years	no.	263	245
Persons - 40 years to 44 years	no.	270	276
Persons - 45 years to 49 years	no.	243	253
Persons - 50 years to 54 years	no.	219	222
Persons - 55 years to 59 years	no.	190	189
Persons - 60 years to 64 years	no.	147	151
Persons - 65 years to 69 years	no.	129	124
Persons - 70 years to 74 years	no.	93	97
Persons - 75 years to 79 years	no.	75	78
Persons - 80 years to 84 years	no.	55	54
Persons - 85 years and over	no.	31	39
Persons - Total	no.	3 479	3 438
POPULATION DENSITY (ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION) - at 30 June			
Population density	persons/km2	-	-
ESTIMATED RESIDENT INDIGENOUS POPULATION - at 30 June			
Percentage of total population	%	-	-
OVERSEAS BORN POPULATION: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION - Census 2006			
Born in Oceania and Antarctica (excluding Australia)	%	-	-
Born in North-West Europe	%	-	-
Born in Southern and Eastern Europe	%	-	-
Born in North Africa and the Middle East	%	-	-
Born in South-East Asia	%	-	-
Born in North-East Asia	%	-	-
Born in Southern and Central Asia	%	-	-
Born in Americas	%	-	-
Born in Sub-Saharan Africa	%	-	-
Total born overseas	%	-	-
SPEAKS A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH AT HOME - Census 2006			
Percentage of total population	%	-	-
LEVEL OF POST SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER - Cer			
Postgraduate Degree	%	-	-
Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate	%	-	-
Bachelor Degree	%	-	-
Advanced Diploma and Diploma	%	-	-
Certificate	%	-	-
Inadequately Described/Not Stated	%	-	-
Total with qualifications	%	-	-
OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EMPLOYED PERSONS - Census 2006			
Managers	%	-	-
Professionals	%	-	-
Technicians and Trades Workers	%	-	-
Community and Personal Service Workers	%	-	-
Clerical and Administrative Workers	%	-	-
Sales Workers	%	-	-

Machinery Operators and Drivers	%	-	-
Labourers	%	-	-
Inadequately Described/Not Stated	%	-	-
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE - Census 2006			
Lone person households	no.	-	-
Group households	no.	-	-
Family households	no.	-	-
Total households	no.	-	-
FAMILIES BY TYPE - Census 2006			
Couple families with children under 15 and/or dependent students	no.	-	-
Couple families with non-dependent children only	no.	-	-
Couple families without children	no.	-	-
One parent families with children under 15 and/or dependent students	no.	-	-
One parent families with non-dependent children only	no.	-	-
Other families	no.	-	-
Total families	no.	-	-
INTERNAL MIGRATION - Census 2006			
Persons who lived at same address 1 year ago	no.	-	-
Persons who lived at different address 1 year ago	no.	-	-
Persons who lived at same address 5 years ago	no.	-	-
Persons who lived at different address 5 years ago	no.	-	-
PROPORTION OF POPULATION BY REMOTENESS AREA - Census 2006			
Major Cities	%	-	-
Inner Regional	%	-	-
Outer Regional	%	-	-
Remote	%	-	-
Very Remote	%	-	-
PROPORTION OF POPULATION BY SECTION OF STATE - Census 2006			
Major Urban	%	-	-
Other Urban	%	-	-
Bounded Locality	%	-	-
Rural Balance	%	-	-
UNPAID WORK: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER - Census 2006			
Persons undertaking voluntary work for an organisation or group	%	-	-
Persons caring for own children without pay	%	-	-
Persons caring for other children without pay	%	-	-
Persons caring for own children and other children without pay	%	-	-
Persons providing unpaid care, help or assistance to family members or others	%	-	-
ACCESS TO INTERNET AT HOME: PROPORTION OF OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS - Census 2006			
Broadband connection	%	-	-
Dial-up connection	%	-	-
Other connection	%	-	-
Total internet connections	%	-	-
BIRTHS AND DEATHS - year ended 31 December			
Births	no.	49	53

Total fertility rate	rate	2.3	2.3
Deaths	no.	12	21
Standardised death rate	rate	5.7	5.7

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2006	2007	2008
129	134	129
124	119	107
130	127	115
127	125	129
109	107	99
119	123	140
116	110	106
130	130	120
155	136	133
139	149	136
122	129	135
119	119	126
89	86	84
55	62	64
52	56	58
46	40	36
24	30	37
14	15	13
1 799	1 797	1 767
123	108	100
125	112	106
123	124	112
104	111	115
110	116	111
110	125	131
106	94	89
116	117	111
116	111	99
127	117	122
99	113	111
78	81	86
71	70	79
69	74	67
48	48	50
53	56	53
22	24	31
37	40	43
1 637	1 641	1 616
252	242	229
249	231	213
253	251	227

231	236	244
219	223	210
229	248	271
222	204	195
246	247	231
271	247	232
266	266	258
221	242	246
197	200	212
160	156	163
124	136	131
100	104	108
99	96	89
46	54	68
51	55	56
3 436	3 438	3 383
-	-	1.0
5.5	-	-
2.6	-	-
5.8	-	-
1.5	-	-
0.2	-	-
0.4	-	-
0.0	-	-
0.4	-	-
0.3	-	-
1.7	-	-
12.9	-	-
3.9	-	-
nsus 2006		
0.8	-	-
0.7	-	-
7.2	-	-
5.0	-	-
16.4	-	-
13.5	-	-
43.4	-	-
22.5	-	-
12.6	-	-
15.1	-	-
7.3	-	-
11.5	-	-
9.1	-	-

10.3	-	-
10.0	-	-
1.6	-	-
353	-	-
31	-	-
839	-	-
1 223	-	-
315	-	-
47	-	-
373	-	-
68	-	-
29	-	-
11	-	-
843	-	-
2 430	-	-
560	-	-
1 589	-	-
1 155	-	-
0.0	-	-
0.0	-	-
86.7	-	-
13.3	-	-
0.0	-	-
0.0	-	-
78.6	-	-
0.0	-	-
21.4	-	-
31.5	-	-
22.2	-	-
6.9	-	-
1.5	-	-
9.2	-	-
34.8	-	-
18.0	-	-
0.7	-	-
53.5	-	-
50	48	53

2.2	2.2	2.2
25	15	22
5.5	5.5	5.2

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Table 3: Industry

		2004	2005
BUILDING APPROVALS - year ended 30 June			
Private sector houses	no.	4	5
Total dwelling units	no.	4	6
Value of private sector houses	$m	0.6	1.1
Value of new residential building	$m	0.6	1.2
Value of total residential building	$m	0.7	1.5
Value of total non-residential building	$m	3.5	0.5
Value of total building	$m	4.3	2.0
Average value of private sector houses	$'000	137.8	218.9
MOTOR VEHICLE CENSUS - REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES - at 31 March			
Number by type of vehicle			
Passenger vehicles	no.	1 744	1 779
Campervans	no.	15	17
Light commercial vehicles	no.	849	906
Light rigid trucks	no.	24	26
Heavy rigid trucks	no.	344	343
Articulated trucks	no.	66	83
Non-freight carrying trucks	no.	14	12
Buses	no.	28	33
Motorcycles	no.	139	138
Total registered motor vehicles	no.	3 223	3 337
Rate per 1,000 population			
Passenger vehicles	no.	501	517
Campervans	no.	4	5
Light commercial vehicles	no.	244	264
Light rigid trucks	no.	7	8
Heavy rigid trucks	no.	99	100
Articulated trucks	no.	19	24
Non-freight carrying trucks	no.	4	3
Buses	no.	8	10
Motorcycles	no.	40	40
Total registered motor vehicles	no.	926	971
Age of vehicle			
Less than 5 years old	no.	637	691
5 years to less than 10 years old	no.	760	784
10 years or older	no.	1 826	1 862
Number by type of fuel			
Petrol	no.	2 242	2 285

Diesel	no.	933	1 000
LPG/Dual/Other	no.	48	52
GROSS VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION * - year ended 30 June			
Gross value of crops	$m	-	-
Gross value of livestock slaughterings	$m	-	-
Gross value of livestock products	$m	-	-
Total gross value of agricultural production	$m	-	-
AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES * - year ended 30 June			
Total area			
Area of holding	ha	-	-
Cereals for grain	ha	-	-
Vegetables for human consumption	ha	-	-
Orchard trees (including nuts)	ha	-	-
All fruit (excluding grapes)	ha	-	-
Non-cereal broadacre crops	ha	-	-
Total number			
Sheep and lambs	no.	-	-
Milk cattle (excluding house cows)	no.	-	-
Meat cattle	no.	-	-
Pigs	no.	-	-

* Agricultural commodities and value of production data is subject to relative standard error (RSE) - for further information see ABS

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2006	2007	2008
2	17	14
6	23	15
0.5	3.6	3.0
1.3	5.2	3.2
1.7	5.4	4.0
4.7	0.4	1.8
6.4	5.7	5.8
259.0	209.9	217.6
1 743	1 778	1 815
15	12	13
923	903	933
28	33	31
336	346	345
72	76	82
14	13	15
34	31	33
138	152	177
3 303	3 344	3 444
507	517	537
4	3	4
269	263	276
8	10	9
98	101	102
21	22	24
4	4	4
10	9	10
40	44	52
961	973	1 018
746	803	797
696	665	723
1 861	1 876	1 924
2 245	2 243	2 260

1 000	1 024	1 089
58	77	95
56.3	-	-
4.9	-	-
4.6	-	-
65.8	-	-
327 829.3	-	-
162 061.1	-	-
0.0	-	-
0.0	-	-
0.0	-	-
13 905.3	-	-
219 795	-	-
8	-	-
1 038	-	-
2 448	-	-

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Table 4: Environment and Energy

		2004	2005
LAND AREA			
Land area	km2	-	-
WATER USE ON AUSTRALIAN FARMS			
Area of agricultural land	ha '000	-	-
Area irrigated	ha '000	-	-
Irrigation volume applied	ML	-	-
Other agricultural uses	ML	-	-
Total water use	ML	-	-
Area irrigated as proportion of agricultural land	%	-	-

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2006	2007	2008
-	-	3 297.1
328	-	-
0	-	-
np	-	-
np	-	-
718	-	-
0.0	-	-